

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. GUNTHER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Mental Health

AN ACT in relation to requiring monthly status reports of community investments and the impact on inpatient census; and to repeal certain provisions of the mental hygiene law relating thereto

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 7.49 of the mental hygiene law, as added by a chapter of the laws of 2022, amending the mental hygiene law relating to
2 requiring monthly status reports of community investments and the impact
3 on inpatient census, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 4253
4 and A. 6506, is REPEALED.

5 § 2. The commissioner of the office of mental health shall provide
6 monthly status reports of the community investments and the impact on
7 inpatient census to the chair of the senate finance committee and the
8 chair of the assembly ways and means committee and shall post such
9 reports on the office of mental health's publicly accessible website.
10 Such reports shall include, but not be limited to:

11 (a) state operated psychiatric facility census;
12 (b) occurrence of census exceeding budgeted capacity;
13 (c) occurrence of out of catchment area placements;
14 (d) admissions and discharges;
15 (e) rate of Medicaid psychiatric inpatient readmissions to any hospital within thirty days of discharge;
16 (f) Medicaid emergency room psychiatric visits;
17 (g) descriptions of new community service investments;
18 (h) average length of stay and number of long-term stay patients; and
19 (i) an explanation of any material census reductions, when known to
20 the facility.
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22 § 3. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same
23 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2022, amending the mental hygiene law
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EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 relating to requiring monthly status reports of community investments
2 and the impact on inpatient census, as proposed in legislative bills
3 numbers S. 4253 and A. 6506, takes effect; provided, however, that
4 section two of this act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth
5 day after it shall have become a law.